

Application No. 09/776,285
Amendment dated July 6, 2005
Reply to Office Action of May 5, 2005

Docket No. 1232-4679

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the foregoing amendment and following remarks.

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-87 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 16, 31, 44, 57, 59, 61, 63, 64, 67, 69, 71, 73, 86 and 87 are independent. Claims 73-87 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-15, 31-58, 61-66 and 69-72 are allowed. Claims 16, 59 and 67 stand rejected.

By this amendment, rejected claims 16, 59 and 67 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

As indicated above, claims 1-15, 31-58, 61-66 and 69-72 have been allowed. In particular, in allowing claims 1-15, 57, 58, 65 and 66, the Examiner indicates that the prior art does not disclose the combination of limitations claimed, specifically the limitation of: a control unit for changing an operation state of said optical blur correction unit depending upon the switching between the ON/OFF states of displaying by said display ON/OFF switch unit."

Double Patenting

Claims 16, 59 and 67 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,628,898 to Endo ("Endo").

As indicated above, rejected claims 16, 59 and 67 have been cancelled rendering the rejections directed to these claims moot.

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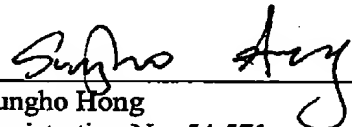
No petitions or additional fees are believed due for this amendment and/or any accompanying submissions. However, to the extent that any additional fees and/or petition is required, including a petition for extension of time, Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to grant such petition, and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees, including any fees which may be required for such petition, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 (Order No. 1232-4679). A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ENCLOSED.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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